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MTW Forum Makes Its Debut

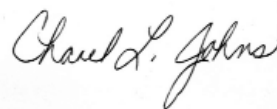
Dear Friends:

Welcome to MTW Forum, your connection to resources and materials that help you serve your communities.

The Forum intends to deliver news and information about: grant opportunities, policies and program issues, and community development. It also connects you to professionals and colleagues with similar events and will offer answers to your frequently asked questions.

The Forum will be published on a monthly basis. We encourage you to submit questions or feedback to c_johns@psava.com or call (703) 852-2965.

Sincerely,



Chanel L. Johns, Information Specialist

Communities in Action: Better Health for More People for Less Money

In June there is an important and exciting meeting to support communities pursuing 100% Access and 0 Health Disparities. In attendance will be campaign partners, communities interested in accelerating their pace of progress, and experienced professional whom demonstrated measurable outcomes.

Communities across the nation are tackling the issue of access to health care. This conference will feature "models" that realign existing community resources, expand public and private sector funding, and support integrated community-wide collaborations. These successful strategies are providing expanded care to thousands of low-income, uninsured residents each year. At this innovative and interactive conference the strategies pursued to develop community-based programs that provide health care to the uninsured and underinsured will be presented. The goal is to have every participant return to their community with a network of resources and strategies to help make their community a "community in action."

Who should attend: County and Elected Officials, County and City Managers, Human Service Directors, Community-Based Primary Care Program Directors, Community Access Program Grantees, United Way Directors, Primary Care Association Directors and Federal/State Health Directors. For more information, contact Sandy Markwood at (202) 942-4235.

*"Working
together
to reach
100%
access -
zero
health
disparities"*



Photo: Doctor with child patient

*June 21-23
Marriott Wardman
Park Hotel,
Washington, D.C.*

Source: BPHC
www.bphc.hrsa.gov/

Calendar²⁰⁰¹

Important Events & Happenings

May-June 29-1

35th National Immunizations Conference
Atlanta, GA
Contact: Rick Nelson
Phone: 404.639.8225
Email: mrn2@cdc.gov or RNelson@cdc.gov

June 13-15

Health Insurance
Association of America
2001 Disability Officers
Round Table (DORT)
San Diego, CA
Contact: Diane Fulton
Phone: 703.968.8863
Email: MMIDC@aol.com

June 21-23

Communities in Action Pursuing
Better Health for More People
for Less Money
Washington, DC
Contact: Sandy Markwood
Phone: 202.942.4235

Source: www.bphc.hrsa.gov/mtw/

ACCESS: Medication for the Underserved

Ken Trodgen, Executive Director for Commun-I-Care (CIC), was one of several speakers addressing directors of free clinics located throughout Oklahoma. It was a one-day conference sponsored by the Volunteer Health Clinics Coalition of Oklahoma, which focused on addressing the health care needs of the underserved. The largest single issue these clinics face is how to access medications through the various patient assistance programs. CIC has addressed this effectively by leveraging the support of five pharmaceutical manufacturers. These pharmaceutical manufacturers donate (in bulk) to a closed centralized pharmacy housed in the Columbia headquarters of CIC. Patients access the pharmacy through a CIC physician referral. Medications are filled and mailed to a participating pharmacy, physician's office, or the patient's home. Patients receive medications through CIC for one year then reapply if they meet income eligibility requirements.



Photo: Kenin Trodgen, Executive Director for Commun-I-Care (CIC)

For more information on Commun-I-Care call 1-800-859-2386.

Grant Opportunities

Partners in Program Planning for Adolescent Health

Closing Date: June 5, 2001

Amount: \$500,000 available per year to support five awards for five years.

Eligible Applicants: Organizations under 42 CFR Part 51a3. Funding priority is given to coalitions national membership organizations representing health education, law, medicine, nutrition/dietetics, oral health and organizations that provide services to youth. Special consideration is given to ensure the maximum diversity of professional fields and disciplines represented among grantees.

Contact: Audrey Yowell

Phone Number: (301) 443-4292

For more information visit: www.mchb.hrsa.gov

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children

Closing Date: June 25, 2001

Amount: \$180,000 available to support one project in FY 2001

Eligible Applicants: National membership organizations able to demonstrate that they represent a significant group of providers of pediatric services.

Contact: Jose Belardo

Phone Number: (301) 443-0747

For more information visit: www.mchb.hrsa.gov

Source: HRSA-Maternal and Child Health Bureau
www.mchb.hrsa.gov/html/grantsguidance.html

- Rank 1: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Rank 2: David and Lucille Packard Foundation
- Rank 3: Ford Foundation
- Rank 4: Lilly Endowment
- Rank 5: J. Paul Getty Trust
- Rank 6: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Rank 7: Pew Charitable Trusts
- Rank 8: W.K. Kellogg Foundation
- Rank 9: John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
- Rank 10: Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Source: Foundation Center, "Foundation Growth and Giving Estimates, 2001" Reprinted with permission of The Chronicle of Philanthropy. www.philanthropy.com

Largest Foundations By Assets

TOP 10

The Child Healthcare Toolbox Hits the Web

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality has debuted an online resource called The Child Health Toolbox, which provides information on how performance measurement can be used to measure quality care in programs like:

- Medicaid
- State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)
- Title V Maternal and Child Health Programs

It provides guidance on modifying quality measures or designing new measures to evaluate a specific state initiative. Special features include:

- Measuring the performance of programs serving children with special health care needs
- Early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment services

For information visit: www.ahrq.gov/chttoolbx/

Source: BPHC

Important Funding Resources

Rural Utilities Service (www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm)

Office for the Advancement of Tele-health
(<http://telehealth.hrsa.gov/grantee.htm>)

Office of Rural Health Policy (www.ruralhealth.hrsa.gov)

National Cancer Institute (<http://www.nih.nci.gov>)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, DHHS
(<http://www.ahrq.gov/>)

Office of Rural Mental Health Research
(<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/grants/index.htm>)

Source: Office for the Advancement of Telehealth/Telehealth funding guide
www.telehealth.hrsa.gov/grants/funds.htm